

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
MARGARET FORNEY PRESCOTT
APPLICATION NO: 10/531,677
FILED: APRIL 15, 2005
FOR: BISPHOSPHONATES FOR THE TREATMENT OF
ATHEROSCLEROSIS AND DEVICES COMPRISING THEM

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of September 30, 2008 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on December 30, 2008. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1110 for payment of the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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